

Revolution-Prone Paraguay Again Threatened by Revolt

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Paraguay has had so many revolutions they are difficult to count and this California-sized country in the heart of South America still is not out of the political woods. For the past five years Gen. Alfredo Stroessner has exercised virtual one-man rule through the army and the all-powerful National Republican or Colorado Party

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Thumbnail sketch of the island of Cyprus which has been much in the news lately:

It's VERY old—how old, nobody knows. It was conquered by Egypt 3,500 years ago, and after that by Assyria, by Persia, Byzantium and by Baghdad. It was conquered by the empires of Alexander the Great, the empire of the Ptolemies and the Roman empire. During the Crusades, it fell to Richard the Lionhearted and for 300 years was a feudal kingdom. For a while Venice conquered and held it. Then the Turks conquered and held it for another 300 years. During World War I, Britain annexed it and has been more or less mixed up in its affairs ever since.

One trouble with Cyprus is that its people have never been able to see eye-to-eye with each other on much of anything. For centuries, its factions have been biting each other in the leg at every opportunity. The result has been that for thousands of years OUTSIDERS have been stepping in and TAKING CYPRUS OVER.

HMMMMMMMM. Here in the U. S. A. we're getting pretty quarrelsome and disputatious. We're splitting up into groups and factions, which tend to spat and fight with each other. If that keeps up, d'ya reckon the time might come when some outsider would step in and TAKE US OVER?

ACCORDING to the Salem Statesman, cities are beginning to feel the pinch of poverty and are straining at the leash in the matter of taxation. Their chief source of income is the property tax, but they are hampered there by a six per cent limitation of property tax increases.

They get substantial sums from state highway receipts and considerable money from state liquor commission revenues, but the cities are still hard pressed to meet the demands made on them for services. So bills have been introduced in the legislature to give the cities another 5 per cent of liquor revenue and a 5 per cent share in income tax receipts.

This leads the Statesman to remark: "The hitch is this: Where will the state go to get the money it needs to meet the demands that are being made on it?"

THE answer, of course, is quite simple.

In that event, the state will have to REACH INTO THE TAXPAYERS' POCKETS and take out what it has to have to pay its bills.

So the end result will be a standoff. BUT enough of taxes. It's a sore subject. Let's turn to something else—communications, for example.

A CENTURY ago, Oregon was admitted to the Union on February 14. The news didn't reach Oregon, by steamer around the Horn, until the afternoon of March 15—a month later. It arrived first in Portland and several days more were required to relay it to Territorial Governor Whiteaker at his farm in Lane county.

This leads Charley Stanton, editor of the Roseburg News-Review, to comment: "Today we're inclined to accept news for granted. We get news by our newspapers, by radio, by television. From the furthestmost parts of the world it is flashed to us in moments. Can you imagine one of today's characters who couldn't get news for a month?"

A THOUGHT in closing: Do you reckon that in these days we get SO MUCH NEWS that we can no longer find the time to read it intelligently and digest it thoroughly so that we may understand what it really means? I sometimes wonder.

the only legal party in Paraguay. For nearly 30 years, landlocked Paraguay has been under an almost constant state of siege. In one two-year period it had five presidents. Now, in the backwash of the success of the Cuban revolution, rumblings once again are heard in and about Paraguay.

Signs and Banners Appear
The bulk of the anti-Stroessner sentiment is felt in neighboring Argentina where an estimated 300,000 Paraguayans have fled, either for economic or political reasons or both. Signs and banners have appeared in Buenos Aires recently saying "Yesterday Batista—Tomorrow Stroessner." Argentine newspapers have been carrying reports of police torture of opposition leaders and raids on their homes in Paraguay.

Ex-President Rafael Franco, exiled leader of Paraguay's Febrerista (Socialist Party) declared in Buenos Aires that Paraguay was under a "pitiless police regime." The Stroessner government reacted. Police and soldiers were put on the streets in pairs in the capital, Asuncion. They challenged strangers and locked up those without identification. Newspapers of a political character and at least one radio station have been closed for "technical reasons." Yet, some think Stroessner has enough popular support to win a free election. He has halted 10 years of galloping inflation, restored freedom to foreign trade, balanced the budget, developed new coffee and oil resources and built key roads.

Well-informed sources say some prominent figures both in the army and the Colorado Party are pressing for at least partial return to democracy. Whether Stroessner will try it probably depends on

how big the inside and outside pressures get. Stroessner was reelected to the presidency in February, 1958, by 294,414 votes against 3,062 blank ballots. There was no opposition. In the first flush of victory he announced he would allow the opposition—excepting Communists—to vote "soon" in municipal elections. As yet he has not fulfilled this promise. Last July, he allowed the Liberal Conservative Party to reorganize and hold a national convention. Catholic churchmen made a new attempt to solve political differences and for a while it appeared there would be a return to democratic government.

Then Argentine gendarmes arrested 150 Paraguayan rebels as they were about to cross the Paraguay river with truckloads of modern arms and ammunition. This appeared to turn the government against democracy again.

Death of American in Spain Studied
Washington—UPI—The American embassy in Madrid is investigating the week end death of an American college student in a Madrid hotel, the State Department announced. The department reportedly has notified the parents of Bambi Bolton, Los Gatos, Calif., of their daughter's death. She was attending the University of Madrid. A spokesman said the department has received no further details of the death. The parents were reported arranging for shipment of the girl's body to the United States.

In Madrid, a U.S. embassy spokesman said Miss Bolton died of a cardiac collapse. She had arrived in Spain last August to continue her studies after attending New York University.

Bill Provides for Bancroft Act in Off-Street Parking

Salem—UPI—Use of the Bancroft bonding act in connection with the establishment of off-street parking facilities by any municipality in the state, is provided in a bill introduced in the Senate Monday by Sen. Robert F. White (R-Salem). Two years ago the Legislature passed a bill authorizing the formation of off-street parking districts but no provisions were made for issuance of bonds satisfactory to bond buyers.

Under White's proposed law, property owners within the district take advantage of the Bancroft act and pay assessments over a period not to exceed 20 years. Bill Removes Governor The Senate passed and sent to the House Senate bill 195 which removes the governor from the State Board of Forestry and adds one member to the board to replace him. Gov. Mark Hatfield requested that the governor be removed from the board in his message to the Legislature.

Senate bill 201, removing tree farm signs from the statute regulating advertising signs on state highways was passed by the Senate and sent to the House.

A bill bringing the provisions of the highway condemnation statute in conformity with the State Forest Board condemnation act was passed without opposition.

BLOODY CHEAP
Frankfurt, Germany—UPI—The following advertisement appeared in Monday's editions of the newspaper "Wolfsburger Nachrichten": Television set, slightly damaged by blow of the fist, to sell cheap.

EXPENSIVE RESTAURANT
Fayetteville, N.C.—UPI—Soldier Erbie Glass was fined \$15 Monday for mixing the salt and sugar in a restaurant. He was charged with destroying private property.

Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL
Moscow—Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev, on his talks with British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan: "We think our conversations have been useful. We think you want agreement. If all cannot be solved at once, we think nevertheless much of your frankness and understanding."

Hollywood—Actress Arlene Dahl, on announcing plans to obtain a divorce from Actor Fernando Lamas: "I don't know where he is. I'm going to see an attorney."

Los Angeles—Lee F. Johnson, of Denver, former executive vice president of the National Housing conference, calling for construction of a minimum of two million new homes a year:

"Good housing for all Americans is not the cure for all of our domestic social ills. It does, however, mark an excellent point from which to start. The cancer of slums is growing in almost every American city today, although the disease was diagnosed in the mid-30s as one requiring national action."

Papeete, Tahiti—Actor Sterling Hayden, on plans to sail his schooner down to Tahiti from the Marquesas islands with his four children in defiance of a court order: "My motivation. An ounce of freedom is worth a ton of gold."

Crater Lions TV Auction Thursday

The annual Crater Lions club television auction will be held on station KBES-TV starting at 10 p.m. Thursday. Bob Taylor, general chairman, has announced.

Proceeds from the event will be used by the club for charitable organizations. Items to be auctioned are donated by Rogue valley merchants, and range from automatic washers and electric razors to gift certificates and heating fuel.

Taylor said anyone wishing to submit an early bid may do so starting at 7 p.m. Thursday by telephoning SPRing 3-6661. The auction is scheduled to last until midnight. Taylor said anyone may make donations to the Heart Fund during the auction. Contributors to the Heart Fund, he said, will have their names shown on the program. Donations for the fund may be telephoned to SPRing 3-6661. Manville Heisel, Medford attorney and a member of the Crater Lions club, will be auctioneer.

Neuberger Backs Food Lending Bill

Washington—American surpluses of wheat, dried milk and rice would aid in construction of Asian, African and South American dams and roadways under provisions of a bill sponsored by Sen. Richard L. Neuberger of Oregon and William Proxmire of Wisconsin.

The "food for peace" bill, introduced by Proxmire and co-sponsored by Neuberger, would authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to lend surplus food commodities to friendly countries on an investment basis.

Neuberger explained that the surplus food would be used to provide stable food supplies during construction of roads, bridges, schools and other public works projects. "Too often workers cannot be spared for these projects, because they are needed on the farms to scratch a sustenance from the soil," he said. "This bill would free people to work on much-needed projects in friendly, but underdeveloped nations."

Repayment under the contracts authorized by the bill would be made with interest over a period of up to 40 years, in dollars or goods or services needed by the American economy, the Oregon Senator said.

Neuberger noted that the bill "not only will make positive use of America's vast surpluses, it will also develop potential markets."

Beacon Light Marks Army Assembly Point

Washington (Science Service)—A lightweight beacon light that can be dropped from an airplane to mark assembly points for airborne troops has been developed by the U.S. Army. The light is mounted on a telescoping mast that can be extended to 23 feet. The mast is reduced to 30 inches in the carrying case, which, with all its components, weighs 20 pounds. The light can be erected and operated by one man and has six signal lenses in white, red, amber, green, blue and infrared. The infrared range on the ground is two miles. Visible light range from an altitude of 1,000 feet is five miles.

MAKES LAST VOYAGE
Le Havre, France—UPI—The 33-year-old liner Ile de France is scheduled to sail Thursday on its last voyage. The retired luxury liner was turned over Monday to the 67-man Japanese crew that will take the ship to Osaka, Japan, to be scrapped.

SUSPECT ROOSTERS
Kaiserslautern, Germany—UPI—Thieves who raided a hen house near here left five over-age hens for six young, tender chickens they stole, police reported today.

Louis Armstrong May Tour Russia

Vienna, Austria—UPI—Trumpeter Louis Armstrong said today he may take his world-touring band behind the Iron Curtain.

"My instrument knows nothing about politics," "Satchmo" told United Press International.

Armstrong is on a tour of Europe and Turkey. He started in Stockholm Jan. 14 and his reception everywhere has been loud and enthusiastic.

He added that he would like to play in Moscow, too, before he returns to America May 11.

"Music is a common denomination," Armstrong said. "Jazz fans are the same all over the world."

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